

MRS. MUSSEY TAKES SIDE OF TREASURY

Thinks Suffragettes' Head Is
Wrong in Advising Women to
Avoid Income Tax.

Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey, honorary dean of the Washington College of Law, joined with the Treasury Department today in replying to the question raised by the attitude of Dr. Anna Shaw, head of the American suffragists. Dr. Shaw said women may "decline to aid the Government by refusing to render an account of their property" for income tax assessment.

"Women should remember they receive the protection of the Government and it is only right they should contribute to the support of a system of law and order in which they share the benefit," said Mrs. Mussey. "The income tax law was enacted by Congressmen from States where women vote, which is another reason why they should not hinder its operation."

Treasury officials pointed out that the provisions of the income tax are plain, and that the penalty clause is sufficiently stringent to prevent women from attempting to evade payment of the tax. The law provides that any person liable to make the return or pay the tax "shall be liable to a penalty of not less than \$20 nor more than \$1,000."

And it is further provided that any person who "makes any false or fraudulent return or statement with intent to defeat or evade the assessment shall be made guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not exceeding \$2,000 or be imprisoned not exceeding one year, or both, at the discretion of the court."

Miss Alice Paul, of the Congressional Union, when asked as to the attitude of Washington suffragists on the question of resistance raised by Dr. Shaw, declared that "women shouldn't be taxed unless they have a voice in making the laws."

"If it were possible to resist the measure undoubtedly we would," she added. Members of Congress expressed interest in the letter written by Dr. Shaw, which was addressed to the "unfranchised American women." Congressman Frank D. Mondell, of Wyoming, one of the first suffrage States, declared that he "is not a believer in militancy whether it be active or passive" as suggested by Dr. Shaw.

Includes All Persons.
He declared that Congress had enacted the income tax law and that all persons whose incomes are above the exempted amount are required to make returns to the tax collectors and pay the tax.

Any refusal to make returns, as suggested by Dr. Shaw, would, he said, be a refusal to obey the plain letter of the law, he said.

The Treasury Department has not indicated whether it will take official notice of Dr. Shaw's suggestion by making reference to it in instructions to income tax collectors.

Vocational Board

Will Meet Tuesday

The proposed vocational guidance bureau for which the raising of a maintenance fund of \$10,000 is begun, will begin work in earnest following a meeting of the executive committee in the rooms of the Board of Trade Tuesday at 11 o'clock.

The committee, which has been active since the last meeting, when it was decided to work independently of the Chamber of Commerce, the Board of Trade and the Retail Merchants' Association, under whose auspices the bureau was organized, will report its findings Tuesday.

The date for a mass meeting to interest the public will be fixed.

The Commissioners believe the bureau may be regarded as a civic organization, and given office space in the Municipal building, if it fits in with other charitable organizations recognized by the municipal authorities.

Already \$100 has been raised to start the maintenance of the bureau.

Prof. Gustave A. Blumenthal, who has been chosen director for the bureau, has had twenty-six years' experience in vocational guidance, and is deemed especially fit as a man to help guide young people in their choice of a following in life.

Some surprise was expressed at the resolve to dispose of the matter this afternoon, in view of the expressed desire of President Blair, of the board, to defer action until after the departure of Dr. Davidson. Unless the latter's plans are altered he will leave for Pittsburgh on Tuesday night.

Nebraskans to Honor

Dr. William Davidson

The last of the many receptions that have been arranged in honor of Dr. William M. Davidson, retiring Superintendent of Public Schools, prior to his departure for Pittsburgh Tuesday, will take place tonight. Invitations have been issued by Mr. and Mrs. John M. Thurston to the members of the Nebraska Association and all Nebraskans in the city, together with their guests, to be present.

The reception will be held in the parlors of the Woodward apartment house, Connecticut avenue and Ashmead place. Music, dancing and addresses by prominent Nebraskans are included on the program.

Watch Night Services

By Salvation Army

Watch night services are to be held at Salvation Army hall, 930 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, Wednesday night beginning at 10 o'clock. The watch service will be preceded by a Christmas tree celebration.

Brig. O. Hunter, of New York city, conducted services at the workhouse at Occoquan Sunday. Sunday night in Salvation Army hall she gave a review of the Salvation Army prison work.

WEDDING SECRET SINCE LAST JUNE



J. B. FORAKER, JR.,
Son of the former Ohio Senator. He was married last June to the once footlight favorite, Kathryn Pischke, better known as "Katherine Irwin." They are living on a Montana ranch. The secret wedding was not made known till today.

WILSON LAUDED BY FINANCIAL JOURNAL

The Economist, of Chicago, Admires Zeal in Passing Two Big Acts.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Business men here today were interested in an editorial in the Economist, the organ for big interests in La Salle street, which reviews the acts of the Wilson Administration, particularly the enactment of the currency law.

"The achievements of the special session and the small fragment of the regular session under the quiet guidance of the President are in many respects without parallel in the history of our Government," says the Economist. "One need not approve of everything that has been done, nor can one dismiss apprehension as to the effect of the two great acts which have passed Congress, but one must admire the zeal, the labor, the persistency, the fidelity, the purposefulness of the leaders and the rank and file."

Particularly does President Wilson merit the commendation of everybody who believes in strong conviction and sagacity in converting such conviction into working fact.

"What must one award to the Republican party? A tear. Year in and year out this question of a change in our financial system was a prominent one in its councils; year in and year out it talked and talked, but did nothing. It was this somnolency and the refusal of the party to nominate the Presidential candidate that the people evidently wanted that defeated them. It is now an open question whether hereafter there will be a Republican party."

PLUMBER'S SUICIDE MOTIVE A MYSTERY

Relatives Know Nothing of Reason Inducing Fennell to Shoot Himself.

Relatives of Lawrence Fennell, a plumber, thirty-six years old, of 73 H street, said today that they knew of no motive for his suicide. Fennell's body, with a bullet hole in the forehead, was found Sunday afternoon at the foot of a steep embankment in the woods at West Virginia avenue and Morse street northeast. It is believed that he killed himself Saturday night. The body was half hidden in a clump of tall weeds.

Near his right hand was a .38-caliber revolver with which he had ended his life. There were two empty cartridges in it, indicating that the first shot missed its mark. The second entered the temple.

There was nothing on the body to indicate the man's identity, and it was not until it had lain at the Ninth precinct police station for some time that Michael Fennell, an employee of the District, living at 1012 K street northeast, called and said it was that of his son.

Admiral Upshur Improves.

Rear Admiral John Henry Upshur, dean of the navy and one of the eight living "primaries" of the Astor Club, who suffered a slight attack of indigestion at his home in the Parkwood, is reported much improved today. The rear admiral is ninety years old, but his illness is not considered dangerous.

SHACKLETON TO CROSS ANTARCTIC

Will Set Out Next Year to Traverse the Frozen Continent From Sea to Sea.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—It is now announced that Sir Ernest Shackleton will lead a new expedition to the South Pole next year.

The explorer on several occasions has recently expressed the hope of undertaking another antarctic venture, but owing to the great expense involved, there was some uncertainty regarding the possibility of starting in the immediate future.

The first intimation of this important decision is made in the following letter Sir Ernest Shackleton has written:

"It has been an open secret for some time past that I am desirous of leading another expedition to south polar regions. I am glad now to be able to state that through the generosity of a friend I can announce that the expedition will start next year, with the object of crossing the south polar continent from sea to sea."

"I have taken the liberty of calling the expedition the 'Imperial Transantarctic Expedition,' because I feel not only that the people of these islands, but our kinsmen in all lands under the Union Jack, will be willing to assist toward carrying out the full program of the exploration to which my comrades and myself are pledged."

Sir Ernest Shackleton will start from a South American port, with the object of crossing the south polar regions, returning via New Zealand.

AGAIN GOING TO BOTTOM OF WORLD



SIR ERNEST H. SHACKLETON, Famous British Antarctic Explorer. He has just announced that he will start from a South American port in 1914 with the object of crossing the south polar continent from sea to sea, on another expedition to the southern end of the world.

Mayor Bars Tango.

PITTSFIELD, Mass., Dec. 28.—Mayor Patrick Moore, appointed a censor for a charity ball here tonight. The tango will be barred.

PALL OF MORPHINE OVER THIS FAMILY

Mother, a Victim, Fed Drug to Children to Keep Them From Crying.

ALTOONA, Pa., Dec. 28.—Lifelong victims of the morphine habit, death has claimed Harry and Laura Pifer, brother and sister, at their home here. With son and daughter dead, the father and another brother, Lawrence, are at the point of death, himself a victim of the drug habit, while the mother died a few months ago of the same cause.

The death of the brother and sister has brought to light one of the most unusual conditions ever heard of in Altoona. The man was thirty-six years old and the woman thirty-nine. When they were infants, their mother, then a victim of the drug habit, fed the children dope to keep them from crying, and they have been users of it ever since.

The members of the Pifer family were once well-to-do. Several years ago two other children died under unusual circumstances, and it is believed that they, too, were victims of the drug.

For more than a year drug peddlers have had easy sailing in Altoona, and it has been possible to get cocaine and morphine in almost any quantity. Doctors who have taken up the case declare that the death of the sister was so shortly after. The man was so wrought up over her death that he took an overdose of the dope.

The physicians have given the aged father only meager quantities of the drug, declaring that the man is insistent on taking enough to kill a dozen ordinary persons.

METHODIST BISHOP BICHLORIDE VICTIM

Rev. Collins Denny Is Expected to Recover at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 28.—Bishop Collins Denny, one of the most active men in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is being treated at Johns Hopkins Hospital for bichloride of mercury poisoning. He swallowed the poison last Wednesday by mistake at his home in Richmond.

Though not in any danger, his physicians say, he is receiving the best treatment obtainable, and Dr. Lewellyn F. Barker gave the churchman a thorough examination today. He is expected to remain in the city several days to continue the treatment to rid his system thoroughly of the poison. He is staying at the home of his cousin, former Congressman James W. Denny.

Rembrandt's Palette Knife Sold in London

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Frank Sabin, the London bookseller, who recently bought the Browning love letters, has just acquired Rembrandt's ivory palette knife and a tortoise shell maulstick from a Dutch family in whose possession the relics have been for the last twenty years.

The relics are accompanied by a vellum scroll with autographs of the various owners since Rembrandt's death in 1669, beginning with Jacob Van Rembrandt.

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All \$20 Suits and Overcoats now	\$14.25	All \$45 Suits and Overcoats now	\$35.50
All \$25 Suits and Overcoats now	\$18.75	All \$50 Suits and Overcoats now	\$37.50
All \$30 Suits and Overcoats now	\$21.75	All \$55 Suits and Overcoats now	\$42.50

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\$7.50 values	reduced to \$5.00	\$15.00 values	reduced to \$10.00
\$8.50 values	reduced to \$5.66	\$16.50 values	reduced to \$11.00
\$10.00 values	reduced to \$6.66	\$18.00 values	reduced to \$12.00

\$5 and \$6 Suits for boys, reduced in this sale to... \$3.75

Special lots of Children's Hats reduced... 1/3

Boys' Overcoats 1/3 reduced. This does not include Chintheilas.

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